



MCC's Proposed Training Center Receives County Approval for Support Letter Next Step in Early Progress

MOHAVE COUNTY, AZ (February 3, 2021) – The County Board of Supervisors passed unanimously the authority for the Chairman of the Board to execute a letter of support to Arizona Governor Doug Ducey for the development of Mohave Community College's planned regional Advanced Manufacturing Training Center (AMTC) in Kingman. It is the next step in the early stages of advancing the project.

The primary goal of the AMTC will be to bolster the County's workforce talent pipelines in support of retention, expansion and attraction of industry. For the first time, the AMTC will provide programming and resources for Mohave regional Career Technical Education District (CTED) students all the way through adult workforce training, all under one roof.

The facility will be located in close proximity to Mohave County's significant concentration of current industry, and the area envisioned for expanded industrial and manufacturing growth. The AMTC, will help Mohave Community College to meet the goals outlined by the State's Achieve60AZ initiative, which envisions 60% of Arizona's workforce to have achieved some level of postsecondary education in the form of accreditations, certifications, or degrees.

The proposed \$5.5 million facility will train workers for such trades as becoming future truckers or electricians and provides an environment for students to obtain a vocational certificate; to obtain supplemental training needed to succeed in a current position; or to transfer or be promoted into a new position.

The 20,000 square foot training center will be a key factor in advancing skilled labor needs for the county's industrial growth. This future well trained workforce of Mohave County must meet the demands of industry as new and old businesses develop or expand. AMTC will be located between Industrial Park and a new 1,300 acre private industrial park on 10 donated acres.

Mohave Community College President Dr. Stacy Klippenstein made a presentation before the board's Monday meeting. The support letter will be given to Governor Ducey by Arizona Representative Regina Cobb, who plans on working with the legislature on initial funding and support.

The AMTC represents a strong public-private commitment to Mohave County's long-term growth in industrial, manufacturing, and trades employment. Mohave Community College began

the initial plans for AMTC in October, 2019, working with local leaders to advance the project. If all goes according to projections, the training school would be open and running with its first classes by Spring, 2023.

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